IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Rohrbach, et al.)
Serial No.: 10/765,649) Group Art Unit: 1724)
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For: STAGED ÖIL FILTER INCORPORATING PELLETIZED BASIC CONDITIONER)

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 20, 2006 and the Notice of Appeal filed on January 22, 2007. In as much as the Appeal Brief was due on March 22, 2007, Applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136 or other applicable rule to have the response period extended two months in order to have the instant communication timely entered. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time is also attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account 06-1130 the necessary extension fees identified in the attached Petition and any other fees necessary for entry of this amendment.